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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed 02/26/01, please add the following new claims:

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- 3. A method according to claim 1 including monitoring the rate of arrival of said input energy, and controlling the mechanical impedance of said generator in response to said monitored rate.
4. A method according to claim 3 wherein said monitoring is performed by sensing the speed of an energy conveying link of the system.

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